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MINUTES

October 6, 2023

Virtual Meeting

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Chair Ijadi-Maghsoodi: Meeting was called to order at 12:26PM

Commissioner Roll Call:

Members Present In-person:

Chair: Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoodi – District 4, Fletcher

Vice Chair: Nadia Farjood – Member At-Large (arrived @ 12:25pm)

Leah Goodwin – District 1, Vargas

Mary Davis – District 2, Anderson

Lauren Schulte – District 2, Anderson

Amy Nantkes – District 5, Desmond

Vernita Gutierrez – Member At-Large

Members Present Virtually:

Eve Benton – District 3, Lawson-Remer

Members Absent:

Vice Chair: Deja Cabrera – District 1, Vargas

Vice Chair: Melinda Vásquez – District 4, Fletcher

Kristine Custodio Suero – District 3, Lawson-Remer

Sherry Ludwig – District 5, Desmond

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Davis moves to approve the September 1, 2023, meeting minutes.

Commissioner Schulte seconds the motion to approve; no discussion occurred. The motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Public Comments:

None

Business:

1. Presentation on importance of knowing your rights by Michelle Woodson, Think Dignity Executive Director and Managing Attorney – presentation posted to CSWG Google Drive (publicly available)
2. Remarks by San Diego County Women’s Hall of Fame Inductee Geneviève Jones-Wright
3. New project proposal form for Commissioners’ use – Vice Chair Vásquez produced an online form for Commissioners to propose projects for the Commission (CSWG Project Proposals: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Fs4w416g4XZijeyEZ-Fs0xMxBT8z2t9W9fCo2MlaAAI/edit?ts=64f4e96a>)
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Civic Engagement – see Committee report in agenda packet and saved to CSWG Google Drive; communication report promoting all the things going on (Know Your Rights & Women’s Hall of Fame); should amplify and spread the word regarding Women’s Hall of Fame.
 - b. Policy – see Committee report in agenda packet and saved to CSWG Google Drive.
 - c. Governance – contract executed with consultant, Tanya Castaneda, for Know Your Rights Symposium event planning including community engagement. Will have on agenda next month. Brief introduction by Ms. Castaneda. Chair shared information regarding Boards, Commissions, and Committees orientation (information to be emailed out to Commissioners by staff assistant).
5. Initiative Updates and Liaison Reports
 - a. Women’s Hall of Fame – Encouraged nominations to be submitted before the October 13, 2023 deadline; Women’s Hall of Fame planning committee representatives from the Commission are Commissioners Vásquez, Ijadi-Maghsoodi, Custodio Suero, and Goodwin; other Commissioners are welcome to join and be involved; Recognition to Commissioner Custodio Suero for greatly contributing to list of organizations of women & girls. Assistance needed from Commissioners -- to help with identifying organizations missing from Women’s Hall of Fame outreach list and updating contacts on that list.
 - b. Association of California Commissions for Women – Encouraged Commissioners to attend to learn and share with other commissions from across the state; if interested in being a liaison let the Chair know of your interest.
6. Commissioner Announcements
 - a. UN CSW in March 2024 in New York City; three Commissioners currently planning to attend through partnership with UNA-USA San Diego Chapter (Commissioners Nantkes, Goodwin, and Custodio Suero)
 - b. Oct. 4th new HHSA Southeast Live Well Center open house (Euclid & Market)
 - c. Moxie Theatre new show – Commissioner Goodwin to share with commissioners

2023 Regular Meetings: November 3rd, December 1st

ADJOURN:

- a. There be no further business, this meeting is closed at 1:30pm.

NOTE: The Commission on the Status of Women and Girls jurisdiction is established by action of the Board of Supervisors as follows: The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego declares that it is the policy of the County to take action to identify needs and problems of women in the County that are affected by public policy decisions; and furthermore, to eliminate the practice of discrimination and prejudice on the basis of sex within the County. In order to promote this policy and to provide an open forum for discussion and action, there is hereby established a San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women in the Chief Administrative Office. County Code of Administrative Ordinances, Section 85.